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### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Board of Directors Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network Colorado Springs, Colorado

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network (the Agency), a component unit of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Agency's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Agency, as of December 31, 2021, and the changes in financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Agency and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



Board of Directors Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Agency's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
  opinion on the effectiveness of the Agency's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Agency's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

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#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by the missing information.

FORVIS, LLP

Colorado Springs, Colorado June 10, 2022

## Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network STATEMENT OF NET POSITION December 31, 2021

### **ASSETS**

CURRENT ASSETS	
Due from other governments	\$ 6,767,025
User fees and other receivables	 357,310
Total assument accepts	7 404 225
Total current assets	7,124,335
NONCURRENT ASSETS	
Capital assets	
Machinery and equipment	35,510
Less accumulated depreciation	(8,693)
Total capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	26,817
Total noncurrent assets	26,817
Total assets	\$ 7,151,152
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	42,268
Due to other governments	2,374
Customer deposits	 4,387,827
Total liabilities	 4,432,469
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	26,817
Unrestricted net position	 2,691,866
Total net position	2,718,683
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 7,151,152

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

## Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION Year ended December 31, 2021

Operating revenues	
User fees	\$ 1,602,690
Total operating revenues	 1,602,690
Operating expenses	
System maintenance	426,982
System enhancement	136,701
System update/upgrade	324,636
Contract services	310,085
Tower site maintenance	193,010
Rent	79,768
Office expenses	770
Professional services	14,391
Communications	8,371
Utilities	39,286
Depreciation	4,439
Other	 10,332
Total operating expenses	 1,548,771
Operating profit	53,919
Nonoperating revenues	
Investment earnings	 70,525
Total nonoperating revenues	 70,525
Change in net position	124,444
Total net position - beginning of year	 2,594,239
Total net position - end of year	\$ 2,718,683

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

## Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Year ended December 31, 2021

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 1,567,154
Payments to suppliers	 (1,637,679)
Net cash used by operating activities	 (70,525)
Cash flows from investing activities: Interest received	 70,525
Net cash provided by investing activities	 70,525
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	_
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	 
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	\$ 
Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash used by operating activities:	
Operating profit	\$ 53,919
Adjustments to reconcile operating profit to net cash used in operating activities:	
Depreciation	4,439
Increase in user fee receivables and other assets	(35,536)
Decrease in accounts payable and other payables	 (93,347)
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (70,525)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows.

#### 1. Reporting entity

The Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network (the Agency) was established by an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado (City) and El Paso County, Colorado (County) on December 1, 1999. The Agency commenced operations during 2001. The Agency is governed by a five-member Board of Directors. Two Directors are appointed by the City, one is appointed by the Colorado Springs Utilities (Utilities) and two are appointed by the County. The Agency was established for the purpose of providing a modern, trunked radio system, available to the participating public safety and public service activities, throughout the City and the County. Capital assets used in providing these services are owned by the City and the County and are recorded in their respective financial statements. Under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Agency is considered to be a component unit of the City. Accordingly, the Agency's financial data is included in the City's financial statements.

The financial statements of the Agency consist only of the funds of the Agency. There are no legally separate organizations for which the governing officials of the Agency are financially accountable or for which the nature and significance of their relationships with the Agency are such that exclusion of their financial data would cause the Agency's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

### 2. Measurement focus, basis of accounting and financial statement presentation

The Agency's funds are accounted for on the flow of economic resources measurement focus and use the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

The Agency distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the Agency's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Agency are charges to customers for services. Operating expenses include the cost of services and administrative expenses. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Agency's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### 3. Assets, liabilities and net position

### **Deposits and investments**

The City holds all cash and cash equivalents for the Agency. The amounts held by the City on behalf of the Agency are reported as due from other governments on the balance sheet. For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include amounts on hand and in demand deposits.

#### Capital assets and depreciation

Capital assets are carried at historical cost. The Agency capitalizes acquired property that is of a tangible nature, has an estimated useful life of one year or more, and has a value of at least \$5,000.

Depreciation of capital assets for the Agency is provided for using the straight-line method based on the estimated service lives of the assets which are as follows:

Machinery and equipment

3 - 15 years

Maintenance, repairs and renewals, which neither materially add to the value of the property nor appreciably prolong its life, are charged to expenses as incurred.

#### **Customer deposits**

The Agency accrues a liability for amounts deposited by customers as security for the payment of bills. This liability specifically addresses the Progressive Upgrade Project account that was created in 2016 for the Agency to act as the fiduciary agent in this ongoing upgrade. The Agency collected funds from its customers (the City of Colorado Springs and El Paso County) and made upgrade related payments during the year. The balance in this account represents unspent collections at the end of December 31, 2021.

#### Net position

Net investment in capital assets - This component of net position consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation.

Unrestricted - This component of net position consists of amounts that do not meet the definition of "net investment in capital assets".

#### 4. Use of estimates

In preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amount of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### NOTE B - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

### 1. Budgetary information

The Agency prepares an annual budget in compliance with the terms of its intergovernmental agreement with the City and the County. However, it is not legally required to prepare an annual budget. Accordingly, the Agency's budget is not presented herein.

#### NOTE C - DETAILED NOTES

#### 1. User fees revenues

The Agency enters into participation agreements with users of the network that allow the users to use the trunked radio system. The user pays an annual fee per radio for services during the calendar year. Radios brought on the system during the year are charged a prorated annual fee. Revenues are recognized during the period to which the user fee relates.

#### 2. Contract services expenses

The Agency has entered into a contract with the City to purchase employment services for the Agency.

#### 3. Capital assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended December 31, 2021 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance		Increase		Decrease	Ending Balance	
Capital assets being depreciated:							
Machinery and equipment	\$	35,510	\$		\$	\$	35,510
Total capital assets being depreciated		35,510				. —	35,510
Less accumulated depreciation:							
Machinery and equipment		(4,254)		(4,439)			(8,693)
Total accumulated depreciation		(4,254)		(4,439)			(8,693)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	\$	31,256	\$	(4,439)	\$	\$	26,817

### 4. Operating leases

The Agency leases tower space under five-year non-cancelable operating leases. At the end of the lease terms, the leases are renewable for three five-year terms. Two of the tower space leases require lease payments due to Utilities' share of the space. The Agency reports the reimbursement from Utilities for its share of the leases as a reduction of rent expense. Total future minimum reimbursements amount to \$62,247 at December 31, 2021. The future minimum rental commitments under operating leases are as follows:

Year Ending December 31,	
2022	\$ 75,142
2023	71,515
2024	54,643
2025	43,459
2026	12,449
	\$ 257,208

Rental expense for all operating leases for the year ended December 31, 2021, is as follows:

Minimum rentals	\$ 92,217
Utilities' reimbursements	 (12,449)
Total rental expense	\$ 79,768

### 5. System maintenance

The Agency paid Motorola for radio and microwave system maintenance services during December 31, 2021 in the amount of \$426,982.

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### NOTE D - OTHER INFORMATION

### 1. Contributed facility

In December 31, 2021, the Agency received, at no cost, office space from the City. No revenue or expenses associated with this contributed space has been recognized in the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position.

### 2. Related party transactions

User fees and other receivables from related parties are as follows for the year ended and as of December 31, 2021:

		Revenue		Other Receivables	
City of Colorado Springs	\$	646,972	\$		
Colorado Springs Utilities		278,794		12,449	
El Paso County		280,843		_	

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